

LISA M. SHALER-CLARK
Army Senior Fellow
Deputy Under Secretary of the Army



Lisa Shaler-Clark was selected as a charter member of the Army Senior Fellows Program in 2007. She is currently attending the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, completing Senior Acquisition Course. Before this, she was Deputy to the Director of the Army Civilian Development Office, documenting the Enterprise Human Capital Lifecycle Management System for Army Civilians while building out Army Senior Fellows and Central Talent Management teams.

Before becoming an Army Senior Fellow, Ms. Shaler-Clark served as the Army Research Office (ARO) Technology Transfer Specialist at the Institute for Soldier Nanotechnologies (ISN) at MIT. There she linked Soldier customers with scientists and innovators improving their protection. Her efforts led to the rapid transition of lightweight explosives detection systems to save the lives of joint Warfighters and civilians in Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere. These systems earned two “Soldiers’ Choice” Army’s Greatest Invention Awards. She mentored more than a dozen entrepreneurial start-ups from the ISN’s Soldier Design Competition, where student teams from MIT and the US Military Academy at West Point tackle Soldier challenges with working prototypes. One success is the Soldier Helmet-mounted Blast Sensor, now used to track impacts which may lead to Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI). In previous roles, she led technology-based change as an entrepreneur, Army on-site contractor, and uniformed Army logistics officer. As Bradley Fighting Vehicle Systems worldwide fielding officer, she led integrated fielding teams to upgrade the capabilities of mechanized units with Bradleys and advanced diagnostics and command and control, and planned strategic technology insertions for Bradley and Abrams tank fleets. Throughout her career, she empowered organizational change with right-sized technology insertions.

CAREER CHRONOLOGY:

- August 2007 – Present: Army Senior Fellow, Deputy Under Secretary of Army, Washington, DC
- June 2003 – July 2007: Army Research Office (ARO) Technology Transfer Specialist, Institute for Soldier Nanotechnologies (ISN) at MIT, Cambridge, MA
- June 2001 – June 2003: Entrepreneur / Technology Strategy Consultant, Canton, MA
- April 1995 – June 2001: Senior Logistics Analyst / on-site defense contractor, Office of the Project Manager for Bradley Fighting Vehicle Systems, Warren, MI
- May 1986 – April 1995: US Army Logistics Officer, serving in positions of increasing leadership supporting multi-functional logistics operations in Germany, California, and Michigan

EDUCATION:

- MS, Management of Technology, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Cambridge, MA
- BA, English (Honors)/ Distinguished Military Graduate, Georgetown University, Washington, DC
- Computational Social Science/Complex Networks graduate courses; George Mason University, Fairfax VA

SIGNIFICANT TRAINING:

- Quartermaster Officer Basic/Advanced Courses, Logistics Executive Development, Fort Lee, VA

CERTIFICATIONS:

- Army Acquisition Corps, Certified at Level III for both Program Management and Science & Technology Management, and Level I for both Lifecycle Logistics and Information Technology

AWARDS AND HONORS:

- Honors include: two Army Meritorious Service Medals; Commander's Award and Achievement Medal for Civilian Service; Order of St. Joan d'Arc, for increasing US armored force capabilities

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS:

- Association of the United States Army; Association of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces